

# The Carpenter's Table Community Outreach Center



## Newsletter

### Helping Feed Our Community

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#### Number of Visitors Served at the Pantry

Month	2009	2010
Jan	257	462
Feb	200	
Mar	230	
Apr	235	
May	335	

#### Greetings!

Welcome to The Carpenter's Table Newsletter. We are delighted to keep you updated on what goes on at the food pantry.

### At Work at the Food Pantry!



*From L-R, Dominic Hargreaves, Drew Hambel, Gary Smith, Joann Smith, Holly Paul Edwards, Linda Allison and Chris Higgins working the pantry on a recent Saturday in February.*

Jun	284
Jul	338
Aug	418
Sept	352
Oct	441
Nov	468
Dec	385
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,943</b>

## Stories from the Pantry

### GOD PROVIDES

By: Chris Higgins

One Saturday a woman was brought into the food pantry for the first time by a friend of hers. She wanted to tell the story of how she came to be at The Carpenter's Table that day. She had nothing in her pantry or refrigerator to eat, but she knew that God had promised He would take care of her. She was reading her Bible and praying when there was a knock on her door. Her friend was there to ask her how she was doing and if she had any food in her home. She answered she did not have any food and that she was just that very moment praying to God and she knew that He would take care of her needs. Her friend told her about a food pantry at a local church, The Carpenter's Table, and offered to give her a ride to the pantry. She just knew God would provide for her and her final comment as she was leaving the pantry was "I know God answers prayers, but this sure was fast!"

## Volunteer Opportunities **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We always need volunteers to help with the pantry shopping, grocery bagging, and to work on Saturday mornings from 9 am - 12 pm. If you are interested in finding out more about opportunities available within the food pantry, come to our [volunteer workshop on Saturday, March 6th at 12 pm for an informational session.](#)

The Carpenter's Table is located next to Tyger River Presbyterian Church.

## Interested in Holding a Food Drive?

If you would consider organizing a food drive at your workplace, through a club or organization you belong to, with neighbors, family and friends, then **WE WANT YOU!!** Every can makes a difference to our visitors and the amount of food we can provide.

For more information on how to set up a food drive, get some help in organizing a food drive, and to arrange for pick up of the products you collect, please contact Linda Allison at [Imacps@charter.net](mailto:Imacps@charter.net).

## DONATIONS

November, December 2009  
and January 2010

Next Step Class	Linda Anderson
Linda Allison	Alice Norteman
Heather Taylor	William Galson
Phyllis Hammersby	Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hinson
Mr. and Mrs. John Smith	Mr. and Mrs. Jim Burch
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rives	Mr. and Mrs. Scott Jansett
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Cox	Mr. and Mrs. Tom Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Nick Perkins	Mr. and Mrs. James Penn
Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Parker	Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson
Dr. Charles White and Ruth Cate	Mr. and Mrs. John Armbruster
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Boome	Joy Lutheran
Nazareth Presbyterian	St. James United Methodist Women
Tyger River Children's Center	

## DONATIONS MADE IN HONOR OR MEMORY OF

- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dement - memory of Steve Stevens
- George Pugh - memory of Steve Stevens
- S.F. Snyder - memory of Steve Stevens
- Mr. and Mrs. Harris Thompson - memory of Steve Stevens
- Mr. and Mrs. John Carson - honor of Harris and Betty Thompson and memory of Steve Stevens
- Linda Jeffery - honor of Harris Thompson and Johnnie Carson
- Harris Thompson, Jr. - honor of Harris and Betty Thompson
- Mr. and Mrs. William Dinkle - honor of Harris and Betty Thompson
- William Galgon - honor of Pastor Lane and Dianna Bembenek
- Nazareth Adult Sunday School Class - honor of David Sutton
- Staff of Johnson Smith Law Firm - honor of Linda Allison

## THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS November 2009 - January 2010

We are so grateful to all of our volunteers who

give their time for shopping, bagging, and spending Saturday morning at the food pantry helping our visitors. We could not do it without all of you.

Chris Higgins  
 Karen Brunelle  
 Jackie Powell  
 Kris Hillman  
 Monte Remaley  
 Robert Wallace  
 Marilyn Staak  
 Debbie Mullins  
 Nancy Warner  
 Mac Latimer  
 Paige Knight  
 Patt Gleason

Holly Edwards  
 Alice Durham  
 Linda Allison  
 Marian Gillespie  
 Norm Raiford  
 David Clough  
 Angie Smith  
 Joy Mullins  
 Heather Warner  
 Sharlene Teichmann  
 Drew Hambel

Mr. and Mrs. Betty Smith  
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert Means  
 Mr. and Mrs. John Carson  
 Mr. and Mrs. Becky Brown  
 Sharon Hill, Andrew and Adrianna  
 Smith

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Rudasill  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gary Smith  
 Mr. and Mrs. Barry Slider  
 Pastor and Mrs. Doug Cushing  
 Michael, Alonna and Faith

Bethany, Jalen, Tyra and Andre Miller  
 Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kennedy, Allison and Riley  
 Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hargreaves, Dominic, Tyler and Aaron  
 Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Cieluch, Garrett and Owen

## **A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO:**

United Way's Gifts in Kind Program for the invaluable service they provide to local non-profits.

Second Harvest for their continued support to agencies that provide community service to assist those in need.

Sam's Club for their continuing donations of bread and pastries to the pantry!

Publix for their continued support to The Carpenter's Table.

## **Upcoming Fundraisers**

May 1, 2010 - Assault on Hunger bicycle ride

May 22, 2010 - Ride for Hunger motorcycle ride

August 2010 - Annual Golf Tournament

**If you would like to volunteer to assist with any of these events (we need help in many areas, including registration, set up, tear down, etc.), please contact Allen Johnston at [allen485@charter.net](mailto:allen485@charter.net).**

## KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN!!

We need your help in finding the best buys for items we purchase on a regular basis. The grocery list goes out on Sunday afternoon and the items must be put in the food pantry by Wednesday evening. If you happen to see a real bargain on any of the following items, please email Chris Higgins at [cahiggins580@msn.com](mailto:cahiggins580@msn.com).

-cereal	-canned fruit
-complete pancake mix	-syrup
-canned vegetables	-mac & cheese
-spaghetti	-spaghetti sauce
-canned meats	-shampoo
-dishwashing liquid	-rice
-soap	-soup

As always, thank you for your continued help and support. You are what makes this outreach program so successful.

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